



R. C. Clasen.  
LCDR. USN  
Executive Officer

Lieutenant Commander Clasen was born at Sebastapol, California, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Diedrich C. Clasen. Commander Clasen began his Navy career November 1937 by enlisting as an apprentice seaman, rose through the rates to Chief Signalman and was commissioned an Ensign in February 1944. Commander Clasen then reverted back to Chief Quartermaster in 1946. He was commissioned again as a LTJG in 1952, and has since then rose to his present rank as Lieutenant Commander.

Prior to World War II, Commander Clasen served in the Asiatic Fleet for over 2 1/2 years. He has served on various ships, has been Commanding Officer on the USS LSM (R) 502, USS NEMASKET (AOG 10) and the USS TAKELMA (ATF 114), as Officer in Charge of USS LCT 1422, and as Executive Officer of USS LCM 240 and aboard the USS NAVASOTA.

Commander Clasen has been Officer in Charge of Quartermaster School at NTC Bainbridge, Maryland from September 1952 to December 1954. During his tour with COMSERVRON THREE in Japan, he served as Movement Control Officer of all ships assigned to COMSERVRON THREE in the Pacific Theatre.

Since 1937, Commander Clasen has earned the Navy Good Conduct Medal, China Service Medal, American Defense, American Theatre with 2 stars, Asiatic-Pacific Theatre 7 stars, Philippine Liberation, Occupation Medal, Korean Defense, National Defense.

Commander Clasen is married to the former Betty Jane Ross, who was a former Wave Lieutenant. Commander Clasen has two children, Richard D. 19, and Dianne C. 17. Commander and Mrs Clasen presently reside in Long Beach, California.

R. L. Stone  
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Doctor Stone received his commission in the U. S. Naval Reserve in 1941 and received orders to active duty in June of 1943. During the war he served in both the American and pacific theatres. After the war Dr. Stone was released to inactive duty in May of 1946. Since December of 1946 the doctor has been active in the organized Reserves. He has participated in active duty training in a wide variety of ships and shore stations. His last active duty tour just preceeding his cruise in NAVASOTA was as a member of the Medical Officers Selection Board, Bureau of Personnel, Washington, D. C. Dr. Stone reported aboard USS NAVASOTA on 5 April 1962 in San Pedro to add his efforts toward making the Coral Sea Celebration in Australia a resounding success. During the short six weeks that Dr. Stone was aboard he performed many minor operations and tended other cases of the sick, lame and lazy. He was at all times a full fledged member of ship's company. It was with the feeling of regret that we waved a "So Long Doc" on the 20th of May as we highlined him to the USS TOWERS for his trip to Guam.

